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Subject: RE: Caring Hands FOIA Request
Date: Sunday, February 11, 2018 3:17:36 PM

Ms. Hunter,
Just following up. Is there someone in your legal group to which this matter has been referred?
Thanks.
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Ms. Hunter,
Can you please advise who we can contact in your legal group to get a response to this now more-than-two-year old FOIA request? Thanks so much.
Ed

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Ms. Hunter,

Please add our VA legal counsel to this message. I will not respond to anymore inquiries associated with this request.

Thank you for your assistance.

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Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: Caring Hands FOIA Request

Mr. Dunson,

Thank you for your prompt response. However, respectfully, it is insufficient. The fact that this FOIA request has remained in backlog for more than 2 years is inexplicable and unacceptable. The fact that it is tracked weekly is irrelevant. We don't care how it is tracked, and it certainly is not difficult to track something that never has moved.

I urge you to start producing the documents by February 20, which is 27 months after you received the FOIA request.

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This voluminous FOIA request remains in a backlog status and is tracked weekly by VA Central Office in Washington DC.

Thank you for your patience.

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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Caring Hands FOIA Request

Mr. Dunson,

Caring Hands Health Care, LLC has asked us to obtain a response to its long pending FOIA request, a copy of which is attached. This FOIA request has been pending since 2015, that is, for more than 2 years. I understand that you believe that you have not yet gathered all the responsive documents. The fact that, for whatever reason, you have not gathered everything does not preclude you from producing what you have gathered to date. We understand that there are more than 2000 pages in your possession. We will give you until close of business on February 20, 2018, to produce these materials. You can do so either electronically or in paper form by sending the materials either to me or directly to Caring Hands.

If we don't receive the materials that have now been held for years by the very reasonable deadline we have provided above, we will begin taking all legal action necessary to obtain immediate release of all documents subject to this FOIA request, without further delay.

We urge you to act appropriately and release these materials forthwith without the need for judicial intervention.

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